## LAWS OF MARYLAN

## CHAPTER 17.

An act to change the name of Octavius Wilkinson and George Wilkinson, of Calvert County, to the name of Octavius Wilkinson Bowen, and George Wilkinson Bowen, and for other purposes.

Passed Jan 20, 1826.

WHEREAS. Aquilla G. Bowen, of Calvert county, by his pe- Preamble. tition to this general assembly, hath set forth, that previous to his intermarriage with Elizabeth Bowen, his present wife, he had two children, Octavius Wilkinson, and George Wilkinson, by Rebecca Wilkinson, born out of wedlock, who hath since departed this life, leaving the said children dependant for their support on him the said Aquilla G. Bowen, who hath taken them home, and wishes to impart to them all the privileges of children born in wedlock; Therefore.

Sec. 1. Re it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the name of the said Octavius Wilkinson, and George ged. Wilkinson, and of each of them, is hereby changed and altered unto the name of Octavius Wilkinson Bowen, and George Wilkinson Bowen, and they and their descendants, and the descendants of each of them, shall at all times hereafter be called and known by, and hold and use the name of Bowen only, and by such name shall sue, and be sued, in any court of law or equity.

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2. And be it enacted, That all securities, promises, contracts, Acts confirmassurances, deeds and lawful acts whatsoever, hereafter to be made and done by, and to the said Octavius Wilkinson, and George Wilkinson, or either of them, by the name of Octavius Wilkinson Bowen, and George Wilkinson Bowen, shall be of the same force, validity and effect, and of equal avail, to all intents and purposes, as if the name of Octavius Wilkinson Bowen, and George Wilkinson Bowen, had been the true and proper name of the said Octavius Wilkinson, and George Wilkinson, from their births; any law or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

3. And be it enacted, That the said Octavius Wilkinson Legitimised. Bowen, and George Wilkinson Bowen, shall be, and they are hereby legitimated and made capable in law to inherit and to gransmit inheritance, as if born in wedlock,

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applement to the act entitled, An act to Incorporate the Mutual Insurance Company of Baltimore

Passed Jan. 20, 1826.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Directors. the affairs and business of the Mutual Insurance Company of Baltimore, shall hereafter be conducted and managed by a board of twelve directors, instead of seven, to be elected annually;